CALIFORNIA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING 801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California

<u>Public Session Location</u> - Room 150 Closed Session Location - Room 141

FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 5, 1999

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

1. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Florence Bos, President Richard Carpenter, Vice President Ron Alvarado, Member Lorrie I. Ward, Member

2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board was advised of the following:

- A. Board staff will be meeting with the new Agency Secretary Aileen Adams and also the new Director of the Department of Personnel Administration Marty Morgenstern to provide an overview of our areas of interest and future directions.
- B. The Board filed a lawsuit seeking to declare provisions of the Unit 8 bargaining agreement that provide for binding arbitration or discipline without Board review unconstitutional. Implementation of this contract provision will be delayed until the hearing by the court. The parties have agreed to meet in January to discuss resolution.

- C. Selection of the Appeals Division Chief is expected in two weeks.
- 3. REPORT OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL

The Chief Counsel reported on:

Litigation

- A. State Personnel Board (SPB) v. Department of Personnel Administration (DPA) et al. On December 18, 1998, the State Personnel Board filed its lawsuit against DPA, the Department of Forestry, and CDF Firefighters challenging the constitutionality of those provisions of the Unit 8 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the implementing legislation that prevent the SPB from exercising its constitutional mandates to "review discipline," protect merit, and enforce the civil services laws. The suit seeks a writ of mandate and injunctive and declaratory relief to preclude implementation of the offending provisions.
- B. At a December 23, 1998 hearing on SPB's Motion for a Temporary Stay and Alternative Writ, the respondents agreed to stay implementation of the challenged provisions until after a hearing on the petition/complaint which the court set for February 19. In the meantime, the parties will be meeting to discuss options for settlement.
- C. Safieslamy v. State Personnel Board The Superior Court issued an order sustaining, without leave to amend, SPB's demurrer to the third amended complaint, which contained 17 causes of action some of which named SPB and Dr. Stephen Weyers, the State Medical Officer.
- D. Casado v. SPB (SPB Dec. No. 98-01) Judge Ronald Robie upheld the Board's precedential decision in this case.

Other

A. OAL Determination No. 29 - We have received responses to our response to the Determination from CCPOA, CSEA, and ACSA/CAPS/PECG.

4. REPORT ON LEGISLATION

The Board was advised of the following:

- A. January 22, 1999 is the last day to submit bill to Legislative Counsel. I'm seeking authors for the Boards' Legislative package.
- B. All members of the Legislature have been sent a congratulation or welcome back letter and a copy of the Boards' report on Achievements and Innovations.

5. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **LINDA J. GRIER**, Case No. 97-3213. Appeal from medical demotion. Department of Health Services.

Persons Participating:

Kathleen O'Connor, Labor Relations Representative, California State Employees Association, representing appellant Dwight V. Nelsen, Senior Counselor, Department of Health Services, representing Department

ACTION: Submitted

6. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **CHRISTINE RUELAS**, Case No. 36860. Appeal from medical termination. State Board of Control.

ACTION: SUBMITTED - Oral argument waived and written argument presented to Board.

7. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **CHARLES T. COOK**, Case No. 97-4596. Appeal from dismissal. Employment Development Department.

Persons Participating:

Michael D. Hersh, Attorney, California State Employees Association, representing appellant

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Andrew B. Pollak, Staff Counsel, Employment Development Department, representing Department

ACTION: Submitted

8. PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO PERSONNEL SERVICES CONTRACTS REGULATIONS

Persons Participating:

Karen Brandt, Staff Counsel, California State Personnel Board James Corn, Attorney at Law, Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of California

Steven B. Bassoff, Labor Relations Counsel, Professional Engineers in California Government, California Association of Professional Scientists, and Association of California State Attorneys and Administrative Law Judges

ACTION: On January 5, 1999, the State Personnel Board adopted a modified version of Sections 547.60, 547.61, 547.62, 547.63, 547.64, 547.65, 547.66, 547.67 and 547.68 in Title 2, Article 29, of the California code of Regulations relating to personal services contracts as contained in Attachment 1. (See pages 22-28 for attachment)

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

9. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **JANET E. MOOREHEAD**, Case No. 97-1989. Appeal from 60 calendar days suspension. Department of Corrections.

Persons Participating:

Ina A. Arnold, Senior Hearing Representative, California Correctional Peace Officers Association, representing appellant

Greg Nicholas, Staff Counsel, Department of Corrections, representing Department

ACTION: Submitted

10. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **MICHAEL D. BUNNELL**, Case No. 96-2675. Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits, and interest after reinstatement. Department of Corrections.

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Persons Participating:

M. Bradley Wishek, Attorney at Law, Rothschild, Wishek & Sands, representing appellant
Paul D. Warenski, Attorney at Law, Schachter, Kristoff,
Orenstein & Berkowitz, representing Department of Corrections

ACTION: Submitted

BOARD ACTIONS

11. STATE PERSONNEL BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 9, 10, 1998

ACTION: Adopted on January 5, 1999.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

12. ACTION ON SUBMITTED ITEMS

ACTION: (See pages 17-18)

13. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE CASES

On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted the following decisions presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

REJECTED AND REMANDED DECISIONS

JEFFREY L. BROWN, CASE NO. 98-1368 Appeal from 309 calendar days suspension Department of Corrections ACTION: Suspension Revoked

GARY A. GREEN, CASE NO. 98-0324 Appeal from dismissal Franchise Tax Board ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

PROPOSED DECISIONS

GARY ROACH, CASE NO. 98-2656 Appeal from dismissal Department of Mental Health ACTION: Dismissal Sustained Minutes - Page 6 January 5, 1999

TERRANCE Q. WHITTAKER, CASE NO. 98-3740

Appeal from rejection

Department of Motor Vehicles

ACTION: Appeal Denied and Action Affirmed

KEITH M. TRIGG, CASE NO. 98-3117

Appeal from 2-step reduction in Salary for 12 months

Department of Corrections

ACTION: Reduction in Salary Modified to 1 Step for 6 Months

HECTOR ZAPEDA, CASE NO. 98-3167

Appeal from dismissal

Department of Corrections

ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

ELBERT RHODES, CASE NO. 98-3169

Appeal from dismissal

Department of Corrections

ACTION: Adverse Action Dismissed and Appeal Dismissed

RAQUEL M. NICHOLSON, CASE NO. 97-1920

Appeal from dismissal

Department of Consumer Affairs

ACTION: Dismissal Modified to 30 Days Suspension

J. DONALD STORMS, CASE NO. 98-1838

Appeal from official reprimand

Department of Mental Health

ACTION: Official Reprimand Revoked

BRADLEY P. ONCKEN, CASE NO. 98-1835

Appeal from 3 months suspension

Department of the Youth Authority

ACTION: 3 Months Suspension Modified to 10 Working Days

Suspension

KAREN PLATT, CASE NO. 98-3573

Appeal from demotion

Department of Motor Vehicles

KAREN PLATT, CASE NO 98-3573

Demotion from Key Data Operator to Office Assistant sustained without modification for exceeding the standard error rate, constituting inefficiency and inexcusable neglect of duty.

ACTION: Demotion Sustained

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RUSSELL W. LEMSTROM, CASE NO. 98-0008
Appeal from dismissal
Department of Transportation
ACTION: Dismissal modified to 1 year Suspension

BETTY CAREY, CASE NO. 98-2788 Appeal from dismissal Department of Corrections ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

ROBIN C. HARDIMAN, CASE NO. 98-3126 Appeal from dismissal Department of Food and Agriculture ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

ROBERT LINEBERRY, CASE NO. 98-2649 Appeal from dismissal Department of Corrections ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

BEHNAZ PARVIZI, CASE NO. 98-2994 Appeal from dismissal Franchise Tax Board ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

PAUL W. NORMAN, CASE NO. 98-3508 Appeal from 2 days suspension Department of California Highway Patrol ACTION: Suspension Sustained

DARRELL J. DICKEY, CASE NO. 98-3478 Appeal from 2 days suspension Department of California Highway Patrol ACTION: Suspension Sustained

DARREN H. BOBELLA, CASE NO. 98-2584 Appeal from official reprimand Department of Corrections ACTION: Official Reprimand Sustained

JIMMIE L. CARTER, CASE NO. 98-2125 Appeal from dismissal Department of General Services ACTION: Dismissal Revoked

THOMAS W. HILL, CASE NO. 98-3490
Appeal from 5 working days suspension
Department of Corrections
ACTION: Suspension Modified to Official Reprimand

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BUD McALISTER, CASE NO. 98-1703 Appeal from dismissal State Board of Equalization ACTION: Dismissal Sustained

LINDA N. MORA, CASE NO. 98-3866
Appeal from termination under Rule 282
Department of General Services
ACTION: Request Denied to remove "With Cause"
Designation from Termination

FRANK COSTELLO, CASE NO. 98-2798

Appeal from 10 working days suspension

Employment Development Department

ACTION: Working Days Modified to 5 Working Days Suspension

EDWARD J. RANDLE, CASE NO. 98-0993 Appeal from 60 working days suspension Department of Transportation ACTION: Suspension Sustained

KAREN REIDENBAUGH, CASE NO. 98-2194
Appeal from rejection
Department of Mental Health
ACTION: Rejection Affirmed and Appeal Denied

MARCO ORLANDO, CASE NO. 98-2673 Appeal from 15 working days suspension Department of Education Sustaining Suspension

ANDREA McCARRON, CASE NO. 97-4716
Appeal from demotion
ANDREA McCARRON, CASE NO. 98-1798
Appeal from dismissal
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
ACTION: Stipulation Approved

THOMAS BENSON, CASE NO. 98-2180
Appeal from 60 working days suspension
Department of Corrections
ACTION: Board adopted finding of fact, but revoked suspension

ROBERT CENDEJAS, CASE NO. 98-2260
Appeal from 30 working days suspension
Department of Corrections
ACTION: Board adopted findings of fact, but modified penalty to 5 working days suspension

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SONIA MORA, CASE NO. 98-2559
Appeal from 15 working days suspension
Department of Corrections
ACTION: Suspension Revoked

PETITION FOR REHEARING

RICHARD CHAVEZ, CASE NO. 98-0069
Appeal from dismissal
Department of Corrections
ACTION: Petition for rehearing filed by Appellant Denied

FRED D. GIPSON, CASE NO. 98-0788
Appeal from dismissal
Franchise Tax Board
ACTION: Petition for rehearing filed by Appellant Denied

THOMAS MARSHALL, CASE NO. 98-1336

Appeal from non-renewal of employment
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

ACTION: Petition for rehearing filed by Appellant Granted

- 14. RESOLUTION RE NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 EXTENSION. (See pages 19-21)
- 15. MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS DIVISION CASES
 (Discrimination Complaints, Withholds, Voided Appointments, Rule 211 Appeals, Petitions for Rehearing)
 On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted the following decisions presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

 VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward Aye.
 - A. DEMETRIA SANDERS, Case No. 98-0424

 The appeal of Demetria Sanders from the action of the Department of Corrections to withhold her name from certification to the eligible list for Correctional Officer.

ACTION: DENIED

B. RAUL C. HERRERA, Case No. 98-2532

The appeal of Raul C. Herrera from the action of the California Highway Patrol to withhold his name from

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certification to the eligible list for Cadet, California Highway Patrol.

ACTION: DENIED

C. SAMUEL ORTEGA, Case No. 96-2994.

The appeal of Samuel Orgeta of his discrimination complaint against the Employment Development Department.

ACTION: DENIED

D. CHARLES HUGHES, Case No. 96-3529

The appeal of Charles Hughes of his sexual harassment/retaliation complaint against the Department of Corrections.

ACTION DENIED

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

E. JERRY FRIEDLANDER, Case No. 98-4101
Petition for rehearing of the appeal of Jerry
Friedlander of the decision of the State Personnel
Board to deny his appeal of the Deputy Attorney General
(DAG) IV examination.

ACTION: DENIED

WITHHOLD DENIAL CASES

- * HERIBERTO CAVAZOS, Case No. 98-2775 Classification: Correctional Officer ACTION: DENIED
- * MICHAEL W. SAUER, Case No. 98-2330 Classification: Cadet, California Highway Patrol ACTION: DENIED
- * DALE E. SMITH, Case No. 98-2778
 Classification: Correctional Officer
 ACTION: DENIED
- * JOSE G. CHAVEZ, Case No. 98-2743 Classification: Cadet, California Highway Patrol ACTION: DENIED

DISMISSED CASES

- * RODNEY J. WILLIAMS, Case No. 98-3695 Classification: Medical Technical Assistant/CF ACTION: No timely response to SPB staff's request for additional information.
- * SELIM ZEYREK, Case No. 98-1907 Classification: Water Resources Control Engineer ACTION: Appellant did not confirm appearance for scheduled hearing.
- * JON M. WELDON, Case No. 98-4567 Classification: Correctional Officer ACTION: Department withdrew action.

16. MEDICAL APPEALS

On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted the following decisions presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

A. FE Y. CORPUZ, Case No. 97-3870

The appeal of Fe Y. Corpuz from the Department of Developmental Services medically disqualifying her from employment as a Psychiatric Technician.

ACTION: DENIED

B. CAROLYN GLENN, Case No. 97-5213

The appeal of Carolyn Glenn from the Department of
Corrections medically disqualifying her from employment
as a Correctional Counselor I.

ACTION: GRANTED

C. ROBERTA SCHWARZ, Case No. 97-2514

The appeal of Roberta Schwarz from the Department of Social Services' denial of her reasonable accommodation as a Licensing Program Analyst.

ACTION: DENY

D. ANDREW H. CIRNER, Case No. 97-5185

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The appeal of Andrew H. Cirner from the Department of Mental Health psychologically disqualifying him from employment as a Hospital Peace Officer.

ACTION: DENIED

E. IRA TATE, Case No. 97-5264
The appeal of Ira Tate from the Department of
Corrections to medically disqualifying her from
employment as a Medical Technical Assistant.

ACTION: DISMISSED

F. JUDITH GIOVANNONI, Case No. 97-3796
The appeal of Judith Giovannoni from the Department of Motor Vehicles denial of her reasonable accommodation as a Key Data Operator.

ACTION: DENIED

DISMISSAL CASE

- * CINDY YEE, Case No. 98-3660
 ACTION: DISMISSED Appellant withdrew action.
- * SEAN CARTER, Case No. 97-3784

 ACTION: DISMISSED Appellant did not confirm appearance for scheduled hearing.
- * GLEN STROMBERG, Case No. 98-4115
 ACTION: DISMISSED Appellant did not confirm appearance for scheduled hearing.
- * MIKE MORGAN, Case No. 98-3955 ACTION: DISMISSED - Appellant did not appear for scheduled hearing.

17. EXAMINATION APPEALS

On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted the following decisions presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

A. JOHN D. DRAPER, Case No. 97-3875908

Final Filing Date: NO BULLETIN IN FOLDER
Examination: NO BULLETIN IN FOLDER
Class: Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor
Testing Agency: Department of Rehabilitation

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Appeal Received: September 04, 1997

ACTION: GRANTED

DISMISSAL CASE

ANDREW POZZI, Case No. 98-2895 Α.

> Final Filing Date: NO BULLETIN IN FOLDER Examination: NO BULLETIN IN FOLDER

Class: Staff Service Analyst Exam

Testing Agency: State Personnel Board Appeal Received: July 21, 1998

ACTION: DISMISSED - Appellant withdrew his appeal

WILLIAM R. VERNON, Case No. 97-4805 В.

Final Filing Date: Continuous

Examination: Associate Governmental Program

Analyst Promotional Exam

Staff Service Analyst Exam

Testing Agency: Employment Development Department Appeal Received: November 21, 1997

ACTION: DISMISSED - Appellant did not confirm

appearance for scheduled hearing

MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINT APPEALS

On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted the following decisions presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

DRAGAN BUHA, Case No. 97-4498 Α.

Issue: The appellant's appointment to Range C was an illegal appointment. Department is attempting to collect monies paid to appellant resulting from their

error. ACTION: DISMISSED - Department should correct appellant's appointment documents back to the original

date of the illegal appointment.

REQUEST TO FILE CHARGES CASES 19.

> On January 5, 1999, the Board took the following actions presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

Α. PETITIONER: Tony Arcuri, a former employee of the

Department of Mental Health

ACTION: DENIED

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- B. PETITIONER: Cherryl L. Churchill-Stanland, an employee of the Department of Corrections
 ACTION: DENIED
- C. PETITIONER: Elizabeth and Robert Feller, private citizens ACTION: DENIED
- D. PETITIONER: Joseph Moctezuma, a Business Tax Representative with the Board of Equalization ACTION: DENIED
- E. PETITIONER: Fred Gipson, a former Senior Compliance Representative with the Franchise Tax Board ACTION: DENIED
- F. PETITIONER: Lajuanda Palmore, a Medical Technical Assistant with the Department of Corrections ACTION: DENIED
- G. PETITIONER: Donald E. Parks, a private citizens ACTION: DENIED
- H. PETITIONER: John Parker, Ph.D., a former employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation ACTION: DENIED
- I. PETITIONER: Helen Peck, a Registered Nurse with the Department of the Youth Authority ACTION: DENIED
- J. PETITIONER: George Shinn, an employee with the Department of Corrections
- K. PETITIONER: Clelen C. Tanner, D.D.S., a private citizen ACTION: DENIED
- L. PETITIONER: Clelen C. Tanner, D.D.S., a private citizen ACTION: DENIED
- M. PETITIONER: Kurt M. Velte, a Correctional Sergeant with the Department of Corrections ACTION: DENIED
- N. PETITIONER: Ken Wong, an employee of the Department of Corrections
 ACTION: DENIED

20. NON-HEARING CALENDAR

On January 5, 1999, the Board adopted items A-E. These items were presented by Walter Vaughn, Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

A. PROGRAM REVIEW ANALYST SERIES FINANCE PROGRAM EVALUATOR

The Department of Finance proposes to revise and retitle the Program Review Analyst classification series to Finance Program Evaluator; revise the minimum qualifications to incorporate the full breadth of experience and knowledge required to complete the increasingly unique assignments and special studies in addition to the audit and oversight function and establish Alternate Range Criteria 400.

- B. ASSOCIATE DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL

 DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL, SENIOR

 DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL, IN-CHARGE

 DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL SERIES

 The Office of the Inspector General proposes to establish Associate Deputy Inspector General; Deputy Inspector General; Deputy Inspector General, Senior; Deputy Inspector General, In-Charge to be included in a new Deputy Inspector General Series specification. All classes are proposed to have a 12-month probationary period.
- C. CHILD NUTRITION SUPERVISOR II
 CHILD NUTRITION SERIES
 SUPERVISING CHILD NUTRITION CONSULTANT
 CHILD NUTRITION SUPERVISOR I
 The Department of Education proposes to establish the new class of Child Nutrition Supervisor II with a twelve month probationary period as part of the Child Nutrition Series; to re-title the class of Supervising Child Nutrition Consultant to Child Nutrition Supervisor I; and to make minor revisions in the Child Nutrition series specification.
- D. SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE

 The Department of Corrections is requesting to amend a resolution adopted by the State Personnel Board on July 2, 1998, as set forth in item 14 (A) for the Special Agent-in-Charge, Department of Corrections.

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E. INDUSTRIAL SUPERVISOR, PRISON INDUSTRIES (KEY ENTRY)
The Prison Industry Authority is requesting to amend a
prior action of the State Personnel Board on November 5,
1998 as set for in item 13 (A) for Industrial
Supervisor, Prison Industries (Key Entry)

21. WRITTEN STAFF REPORT FOR BOARD INFORMATION

A. THE 1997-98 ANNUAL CENSUS OF STATE EMPLOYEES AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REPORT FOR THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE.

ACTION: Report presented

ADJOURNMENT

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SUBMITTED

1. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE ORAL AND WRITTEN INPUT ON REGULATIONS ON PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS. (Hearing held September 1, 1998.)

NO ACTION

2. ENRIQUE BENTANCOURT, CASE NO. 97-4420. Appeal from dismissal. State Board of Control. (Oral argument held October 6, 1998.)

ACTION: On January 5, 1999 adopted Board decision sustaining dismissal.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

3. DEBORAH STALEY, CASE NO. 97-3226. Appeal from dismissal. Department of Food and Agriculture. (Oral argument held October 6, 1998.

NO ACTION

4. JUDY MCGUIRK, CASE NO. 97-4120. Appeal from dismissal. Department of Developmental Services. (Oral argument held October 6, 1998

NO ACTION

5. DORIS JONES, CASE NO. 97-5107. Appeal from constructive medical termination. Department of Transportation. (Oral argument held November 5, 1998.)

NO ACTION

6. JESSE BROWN, CASE NO. 98-0384. Appeal from medical termination. Department of General Services. (Oral argument held November 5, 1998.)

NO ACTION

7. ROBERT DAVIS, CASE NO. 97-2572. Appeal from dismissal. Department of Corrections. (Oral argument held November 5, 1998.)

NO ACTION

8. LEANNE R. CALIGIURI, CASE NO. 98-1236. Appeal from dismissal. State Board of Equalization. (Oral argument held December 8, 1998.)

NO ACTION

9. NHUT MING NGUYEN, CASE NO. 98-0304. Appeal from 30 working days suspension. Department of General Services. (Oral argument held December 8, 1998.)

NO ACTION

10. BARBARA J. RIESS, CASE NO. 98-1004. Appeal from rejection. Department of Corrections. (Oral argument held December 8, 1998.)

NO ACTION

11. EARL T. BRYANT, JR., CASE NO. 98-0849. Appeal from demotion. Department of the Youth Authority. (Oral argument held December 8, 1998.)

NO ACTION

12. KEVIN JACKSON, CASE NO. 98-0075. Appeal from dismissal.

Department of Mental Health. (Oral argument held December 8, 1998.)

NO ACTION

13. LOREEN K. BLYTHE, CASE NO. 97-3767. Appeal from dismissal. Department of Motor Vehicles. (Written argument presented December 8, 1998.)

ACTION: On January 5, 1999 adopted Board decision revoking dismissal.

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.

14. SUSAN ALEXANDER, CASE NO. 97-0100. Appeal from constructive medical termination. Department of Fish and Game. (Oral argument held December 8, 1999.)

NO ACTION

15. ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS "DEEP" CLASSES. (Hearing held December 10, 1999.)

NO ACTION

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE § 18671.1 RESOLUTION

Since Government Code section 18671.1 requires that cases pending before State Personnel Board Administrative Law Judges (ALJ's) be completed within six months or no later than 90 days after submission of a case, whichever is first, absent the publication of substantial reasons for needing an additional forty-five days, the Board hereby publishes its substantial reasons for the need for the forty-five day extension for some of the cases now pending before it for decision.

An additional forty-five days may be required in cases that require multiple days of hearings, that have been delayed by unusual circumstances, or that involve any delay generated by either party (including, but not limited to, submission of written briefs, requests for settlement conferences, continuances, discovery disputes, pre-hearing motions). In such cases, six months may be inadequate for the ALJ to hear the entire case, prepare a proposed decision containing the detailed factual and legal analysis required by law, and for the State Personnel Board to review the decision and adopt, modify or reject the proposed decision within the time limitations of the statute.

Therefore, at its next meeting, the Board will issue the attached resolution extending the time limitation by 45 days for all cases that meet the above criteria, and that have been before the Board for less than 6 months as of the date of the Board meeting.

GOVERNMENT CODE § 18671.1 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 provides that, absent waiver by the appellant, the time period in which the Board must render its decision on a petition pending before it shall not exceed six months from the date the petition was filed or 90 days from the date of submission; and

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 also provides for an extension of the time limitations by 45 additional days if the Board publishes substantial reasons for the need for the extension in its calendar prior to the conclusion of the six-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Agenda for the instant Board meeting included an item titled "Notice of Government Code § 18671.1 Resolution" which sets forth substantial reasons for utilizing that 45-day extension to extend the time to decide particular cases pending before the Board;

WHEREAS, there are currently pending before the Board cases that have required multiple days of hearing and/or that have been delayed by unusual circumstances or by acts or omissions of the parties themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the time limitations set forth in Government Code section 18671.1 are hereby extended an additional 45 days for all cases that have required multiple days of hearing or that have been delayed by acts or omissions of the parties or by unusual circumstances and that have been pending before the Board for less than six months as of the date this resolution is adopted.

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I hereby certify that the State Personnel Board made and adopted the Preceding resolution at its meeting on January 5, 1999.

WALTER VAUGHN
Executive Officer
California State Personnel Board

VOTE: Bos, Carpenter, Alvarado, Ward - Aye.